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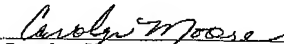
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NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This response is submitted in reply to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment received January 9, 2004. Note that the Notice shows a mailing date of July 11, 2003, but a conversation with Examiner Egwim confirmed that the Notice was actually mailed on January 7, 2004. This amendment is responsive to that Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment and the Office Action dated July 11, 2003 given in the above-identified application for Letters Patent.

Amendment to the claims begin on page 2.

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